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What a hard time a man has to quit the use of tobacco. And what a hard time his son has to learn the use of it.

By the Clayton incident and the doings of his gang at St. Louis last Saturday, Harry Hawes has served notice on the people of Missouri of what they may expect in the event of his election as governor.

Lawrence World: Editors are queer people. They senselessly cut each other's throats. If a lawyer wants anything, all the lawyers will help him to get it. If a lawyer charges a big fee, every other lawyer in town will go on the stand, and swear the fee was reasonable, and they would not have taken the case for a small fee.

The mention of Gen. Miles in connection with the democratic nomination for president has called out some chapters of ancient history. Many of the southern papers are opposing Miles because he placed manacles on Jefferson Davis at the end of the war, when Miles was the custodian of the head of the confederacy. The Charleston News and Courier intimates that if Miles is nominated by the democrats Roosevelt will carry South Carolina.

Advertisements have lately appeared in newspapers to the effect that girls can find pleasant employment at good wages in St. Louis during the World's Fair, and girls are invited to write certain employment bureaus, addresses of which are given. According to the women reform clubs in this state and elsewhere, this is the work of a syndicate which has contracts to supply 10,000 girls to the brothels of St. Louis. The Reformers say: "It is a terrible thing to contemplate, but too true, that the business of procuring innocent girls for these wicked purposes is carried on on a large scale, and the girl who goes to St. Louis to find pleasant employment, short hours and good wages will find instead only disgrace and ruin. It is a hellish scheme, and the laws of the land should be followed to the remotest ends to stop this cursed work, and bring the scoundrelous designers to swift and speedy justice."

It begins to look as though Jos. W. Folk's chances for being the next governor of Missouri was rather doubtful. He may be the choice of a majority of the better class of democrats in the state, but that can neither nominate nor elect him in this state, as the plug-uglies and policemen rule the roost, and law-abiding people can do nothing but stand back and look on. The only way to punish and purify a party that puts such Indians to its front is to get out of it, and that is what every good and honorable democrat of Missouri should do now. Christian Missouri democrat, what are you in company with such a party for anyway? It has no able leaders; it has no party policy; its legislators have been robbing the state for years past as they admit—and now just see the gang who are controlling the elections. Wouldn't you like to associate with them? You don't see such men leading the republican party anywhere do you? Even the negroes are so ashamed of it, that there is said to not be a democratic negro in the county. You ought to be ashamed of the company also, and get over into the republican or prohibition ranks at once, along with thousands of other good democrats all over the state.

Folk Condemns the Outrages.

St. Louis Republic Special.

Lancaster, Mo., March 14.—Jos. W. Folk spoke here today. After he had been speaking a few minutes about the city primaries he said:

"If I were governor of Missouri and found upon investigation that the the published reports of the St. Louis and Kansas City primaries were true, I would demand the immediate resignation of every Kansas City and St. Louis police commissioner, and I would put men in their places who would not permit such things to go on.—When such outrages are perpetrated and the police offer no protection, it would certainly seem that the heads of the departments are connivers or incompetents.

"When police commissioners are permitted to become candidates in primaries, as they were in St. Louis, and an election commissioner is allowed to manage a candidate's campaign, the disgraceful episodes of last Thursday in Kansas City and of last Saturday in St. Louis follow as a natural consequence.—The machine in its eagerness to run over the people, overplayed its hand and put its neck into the halter of decency. It seems determined to rule or ruin the democratic party.

"It certainly does seem that Gov. Dockery, in allowing his boards to act as they are reported to have acted, is recklessly jeopardizing the interests of the democratic party. He cannot disclaim responsibility for these things. He must either confess the responsibility or acknowledge incompetency.

"Never were a people of any state confronted with a graver crisis than the people of Missouri.—More corruption has been uncovered here in the past two years than in any other time or place in the history of the world, and yet the machine is determined to prevent the cure of this corruption, being an issue.

"In order to keep this question from being an issue, it has struck at the very foundation of free government by depriving citizens of their right of suffrage by instigating riot and disorder."

The business men of Kansas City are raising a fund to protect the ballot box elections in that city from the Nesbitt law offenders. St. Louis is talking of several means to the same end, and have started out for indignation meetings; and on Sunday the pastors of all the southern Methodist and Christian churches are to preach sermons regarding the recent doings at Clayton, Kansas City and St. Louis. Did you ever hear of such doings in republican states?

The republican state convention to elect delegates to national convention at Chicago, meets in Kansas City, next week Tuesday, March 22, 1904.

The southern states bid fair to give some startling results at the election next fall. The business men and people generally of that locality are praising the republican administrations that have brought them greater prosperity than they have ever known in the history of the nation.

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Concerning Thomas Jefferson.

The Columbia Herald is much wrought up because, as it has found out, President Roosevelt is not an admirer of Thomas Jefferson. Mr. Roosevelt, in one of his books calls Jefferson "a shifty, tricky doctrinaire." "Jefferson has fallen upon evil times," the Herald says. "He has encountered the political advocate masquerading as the grave and reverend writer of history, and must suffer accordingly." No doubt the Herald would call the late Professor Herman von Holst a "political advocate," too, for, in his notable "Constitutional and Political History of the United States," he gives Jefferson even a worse character than does Mr. Roosevelt. So does Washington Irving in his "Life of Washington." The historical writers who have given Jefferson the best reputation have been those of least authority. The best authorities depict him as a patriot and statesman, but also as a politician who never let either patriotism or statesmanship prevent him from looking after the personal and political interest of T. Jefferson.—K. C. Journal.

New Use for Automobiles.

At the trial in Paris recently of an automobilist for fast running it turned out that the offender desired to marry the daughter of the gentleman, his partner in business, who, along with the lady herself, was riding in the vehicle with him. At a certain point in the ride the lover started the machine at breakneck speed, and when the father entreated him to stop he steered the machine for an obstruction, and declared he would slow up only on condition of being promised the girl's hand in marriage. When stopped by the police and taken before a magistrate the lover was fined a small amount. The wedding is to be celebrated shortly.

Clerks as Vine Trimmers.

In May of every year the vineyards in the neighborhood of East Finchley and Barnet, England, give employment to hundreds of unemployed clerks and salesmen who go out from London. They are engaged in trimming the clusters of vines, removing all ragged edges and tainted fruit. For this labor, which is done in a high temperature, the men receive about \$6.75 a week, out of which they pay their own board and lodging. The vine growers prefer unemployed clerks for this work, which is of a nature too delicate to be undertaken by "horny-handed" help.

Most Crowded Spot.

The most crowded spot on the globe, at certain hours of the day, is the neighborhood of the City Hall park in New York. The Brooklyn bridge ends there, as well as one of the elevated roads, the subway now in construction, other projected subways and many lines of street cars.

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Teach Names of Wild Flowers.

A public museum at Brighton, England, has adopted a custom which should be followed elsewhere. Persons are encouraged to bring in fresh bunches of local wild flowers culled during their walks to one of the officials, who arranges the specimens each morning in glass vases containing water and affixes both the botanical and English name. Thus visitors are made acquainted with the flowers which they have seen growing wild but regarding which they have had no information.

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